

**2008 OPERATIONS-CENTRAL BUREAU FATALS YEAR TO DATE
TOTAL 48**

RAMPART-9	LOCATION	PCF	RD	Party at fault
Fatal #1	Sunset/Mohawk	22350-Speed	215	1
Fatal #2	Beverly-Alexandra	21954-Ped O/S crosswalk	231	2
Fatal #3	3 rd St-Vermont	Other improper driving	233	2
Fatal #11	Wilshire-New Hampshire	21950-Failed to yield to ped.	253	1
Fatal #17	Alvarado-3 rd St	22350-Speed	236	1
Fatal #20	Glendale – Rockwood	21950 ©VC	238	2
Fatal #31	3 rd St-Carondelet	21950 (a) VC	0245	1
Fatal #39	Grandview -6 th	21950 (a) VC		
Fatal #42	3 rd Street-Hoover	21950 (a) VC		1
Fatal #46	Pico-Westermorland	21955 VC	0282	2

CENTRAL-11	LOCATION	PCF	RD	Party at fault
Fatal #4	San Pedro-7 th St	22350-Speed	156	1
Fatal #6	Los Angeles St-Arcadia	21955-Jaywalking	111	2
Fatal #10	6 th St-Mateo	22350-Speed	159	1
Fatal #13	Main St-Winston	21804-failure to yield to traffic	145	2
Fatal # 28	Stanford-6 th St	21954 (b) VC	158	1
Fatal #32	Venice-Figueroa	22350	0195	1
Fatal #33	Broadway-Bishop	22350	0105	1
Fatal # 38	Olive St.-4 th St.	22106	0142	1
Fatal #44	5 th St.-Fremont	22350 VC	0151	1
Fatal #45	18 th St-Flower	21106 b VC	0192	2
Fatal #48	Olympic-Hope			

NEWTON-13	LOCATION	PCF	RD	Party at fault
Fatal #5	Slauson-McKinley	21650.1 Bike-same direction as vehicles	1373	2
Fatal #7	Compton-47 th St	21950 failure to yield to ped	1367	1
Fatal #8	Avalon-62 ND St	22350-Speed	1385	1
Fatal #9	Gage-Central	23152 DUI	1385	1
Fatal # 14	Crocker-7 th St.	21954 (a) VC	1307	2
Fatal #21	Slauson-Avalon	23152 (a) VC	1373	1
Fatal # 23	Griffith-31 st	21950 (a) VC	1333	2
Fatal #24	55 th -Alba	21950 (a) VC	1377	2
Fatal # 26	8 th St-Santa Fe	21950 (b) VC	1309	2
Fatal #27	7 th St-San Pedro	21950 (a) VC	1307	1
Fatal #29	Vernon-Broadway	21453	1361	1
Fatal #41	10th St.-Stanford	21950 (b) VC	1303	2
Fatal # 43	Central-47th St	21950(a) VC	1364	2
Fatal #47	San Pedro-27th St	21954 (a) VC	1333	2

NORTHEAST 7	LOCATION	PCF	RD	Party at fault
Fatal #12	York-Avenue 49	23152 DUI	1125	1
Fatal #18	Hyperion-Lyric	21453	1144	1
Fatal # 22	Colorado-Highland View	22350	1115	1
Fatal # 30	York Bl-Milwaukee	21954 (a) VC	1127	2
Fatal # 35	Colorado Bl-			
Fatal # 36	Floristan Ave	21801 VC	1119	1
	Edenhurst-Appleton	21954 VC	1123	1
Fatal #40	Paseo-Ave. 35	22350 VC	1135	1

HOLLENBECK 5	LOCATION	PCF	RD	Party at fault
Fatal #15	Washington-Soto	23550 VC, Speed	497	P-1
Fatal #16	6 th St.-Boyle	22350 VC, Speed	462	P-1
Fatal #19	Cesar Chavez and Gallardo	22350 VC, Speed	441	P-1
Fatal # 25	Griffin- Broadway	21453	422	P-1
Fatal # 34	Broadway- Thomas	21456 (b) VC 21955 VC	0422	P-1 P-2

OCB FATALS SUMMARY YEAR TO DATE FOR 2008

OCB FATAL #1

RAMPART AREA

On January 1, 2008, at 1250 hours forty-nine-year old Los Angeles resident was walking on the north sidewalk of Sunset Boulevard, when he was struck by a 1990 Isuzu Amigo. The suspect described as a Male Hispanic abandoned his vehicle and fled on foot. Victim was transported to USC Medical Center, where he died as a result of his injuries at 5:12 PM. This investigation is ongoing.

OCB FATAL #2

RAMPART AREA

On January 11, 2008, at approximately 0530 AM, fifty-eight-year-old Robert Short, a resident of Los Angeles was found dead in the roadway. At scene investigation revealed victim was walking southbound on Beverly Boulevard at Alexandria Avenue, when an unidentified vehicle struck him traveling westbound on Beverly Boulevard. This investigation is ongoing.

OCB FATAL #3

RAMPART AREA

On January 15, 2008, 2220 hours, nineteen-year-old Alan W. Portillo, a Ralph's' employee was test driving a Ralph's customer motorcycle in the parking lot, when he lost control and collided head-on with vehicle-1 attempting to pull into a parking stall. Victim was not wearing a helmet and he died a short time later at Hollywood Presbyterian Hospital as a result of chest trauma. Investigation determined this was an accident. Case closed, victim caused his own death.

OCB FATAL #4

CENTRAL AREA

On April 8, 2008, Jose Delcid, 24 years old, was driving eastbound on Gage Avenue when he failed to stop for a red tri-light signal and was struck on the passenger side by another vehicle traveling northbound on Central Avenue. Carlos Garcia 33 years old was Delcid's passenger and was killed as a result of the impact. Delcid was arrested for DUI and charged with 187 PC (Watson Murder). His BAC was found to be .11%. DA filed 187 PC.

CB FATAL #10

CENTRAL AREA

On April 20, 2008, Raul Marquez, 21 years old, was traveling westbound on 6th Street, east of Mateo Street (6th Street Bridge), at a speed estimated to be 80 mph, when he lost control and collided with another vehicle traveling eastbound on 6th Street. Marquez was killed instantly and party-2 was transported to LAC+USC Medical Center with non-life threatening injuries. The District Attorney reject this case citing victim caused his own death.

OCB FATAL #11

RAMPART AREA

On April 22, 2008, Vicky Noh, 31 years old, was struck by a Hit and Run vehicle that was making a left turn from eastbound Wilshire Blvd to northbound New Hampshire Avenue. The Hit and Run vehicle was described as a yellow school bus with a male driver. Witnesses were unable to obtain the bus company name or license plate number. The case is ongoing.

OCB FATAL #12

NORTHEAST AREA

On April 20, 2008, Raymond Espinoza, 28 years old, was stopped for a stop sign, northbound on Avenue 29. He proceeded northbound and was struck by an approaching vehicle traveling eastbound on York Blvd. The impact caused Espinoza's vehicle to rotate in a clockwise direction, ejecting Espinoza from his vehicle. Espinoza was transported to Huntington Memorial Hospital with severe head trauma and expired on April 23, 2008. Espinoza was found to have a BAC of .01% five hours after the collision; however, hospital records indicate a BAC .13 upon his arrival. The driver of the other vehicle was charged with 12500(A) VC, unlicensed driver.

OCB FATAL #13

CENTRAL AREA

On April 4, 2008, Peter Giannotti, 65 years old, was riding his bicycle northbound along the east sidewalk of Main Street. As he rode off the curb to cross Winston Street, he failed to stop for traffic and was struck by a truck that was making a right turn from northbound Main Street to eastbound Winston Street. Giannotti was transported to LAC+USC Medical Central in critical condition. Despite lifesaving efforts, he succumbed to injuries on April 21, 2008. The City of Los Angeles, Department of Water and Power owns the involved truck. This case will be submitted to the DA's Office for review upon receiving the autopsy results. District Attorney reject.

OCB FATAL #14

NEWTON AREA

On May 11, 2008, at approximately 0215 hours, forty-one-year-old Terry Howard, (a pedestrian seated on the southeast curb) was fatally killed by unknown suspect(s) on Crocker Street just east of 7th Street. Victim died at USC Medical Center as a result of massive hemorrhage. The exact cause of death will be determined upon completion of an autopsy report.

OCB FATAL#15 HOLLENBECK AREA

On May 16, 2008, at approximately 1857 hours, party-1 Bryan Calles, a resident of Downey was driving his 1989 Honda Civic eastbound on Washington Boulevard, east of Soto when he ran off the roadway and collided with victims-1, a Male Hispanic, victim-2, a Female Hispanic and victim-3, a Male Hispanic, all walking westbound on the north sidewalk of Washington Boulevard. Party-1 reversed his vehicle and ran over victim-2 as he fled the scene. Victim-1 died at scene and victim-2 died a short time later at USC Medical Center. Victim-3 was hospitalized at USC Medical Center in serious condition.

Mr. Calles was located at his father's house in Downey and booked for 20001 (a) VC, Felony Hit and Run. Manslaughter charges were filed.

OCB FATAL#16 HOLLENBECK AREA

On May 24, 2008, at 0050 hours eighteen-year-old Juan Antonio Moreno, a resident of Los Angeles, according to his passengers were driving his friend's Chevy Tahoe eastbound on 6th Street from Mateo Street at a high rate of speed, when he lost control and collided with the northeast concrete wall. The impact caused victim to be ejected from the vehicle, where he fell approximately 250 feet to his death. This investigation is ongoing to determine the real driver due to conflicting statements given by his passengers. Investigation determined that Mr. Moreno was the driver at the time of the collision.

OCB FATAL #17 RAMPART AREA

On June 17, 2008, at 2035 hours victim Oscar Gomez was driving his 1994 Acura Integra eastbound on 3rd Street approaching Alvarado, when he lost control and collided with the curb, a tree and a fence. Victim died at scene as a result internal injury. Investigating Officer is awaiting the autopsy report for the final cause of death. Investigation closed, victim caused his own death.

OCB FATAL #18 NORTHEAST AREA

On June 24, 2008, victim Maria Gutierrez, a United States Postal employee was driving her postal truck northbound on Lyric Avenue at Hyperion Avenue, when she ran the red tri-light signal and was struck by vehicle-2 eastbound on Hyperion Avenue. Victim died at scene. This investigation is closed, victim caused her own death.

OCB FATAL # 19 HOLLENBECK AREA

On July 13, 2008, at 0205 hours, thirty-nine-year-old Jesus Portillo, a resident of Los Angeles was driving his vehicle eastbound on Cesar Chavez at Gallardo, when he collided with a power pole. Victim was DUI, died a short time later at USC MC This investigation closed, victim caused his own death.

OCB FATAL #20 RAMPART AREA

On August 20, 2008, at approximately 1255 hours, victim Lauren Charles Black, 62-years-of-age was crossing Glendale Boulevard at Rockwood Street, when he was struck by a motorcycle traveling northbound on Glendale Boulevard. The motorcyclist sped from the scene and fled northbound on Glendale Boulevard. Mr. Black was taken to USC Medical Center in critical condition with life threatening head injuries.

On August 6, 2008, victim died as a result of his injuries. Detectives are unable to locate family members and have requested the assistance of the media. Victim's information was given to Media Relations on August 7, 2008, and several news stations have the information on their web sites. Family member located in Kansas. This investigation is ongoing

OCB FATAL # 21 NEWTON AREA

On August 15, 2008, at approximately 0630 hours, twenty-three-year-old Alberto Flores-Cruz was driving his 1988 Toyota Camry westbound on Slauson Avenue, when he crossed over into the opposing lanes of traffic and collided with a school bus. Victim died at scene. His passenger was taken to California Hospital in stable condition. Alcohol is believed to be involved. There were no children on board the bus. Investigation closed, victim caused his own death.

OCB FATAL # 22 NORTHEAST AREA

On August 27, 2008, at approximately 225 hours vehicle-1, a white Mtis Eclipse, driven by nineteen-year-old Rostislav Dimitryivic Shnayder was westbound-2 on Colorado Boulevard, when he changed lanes and collided with vehicle-2, westbound-1 on Colorado Boulevard. The impact caused vehicle-2 to collide with the raised center median, ROR and collide with a water pipe and a tree. Vehicle-1 continued out of control and collided with a parked vehicle. Party-1, parked his vehicle, where it continued out of control and collided with the curb and a tree.

The impact between vehicle-1 and vehicle-2 resulted in the death of vehicle-2's driver and two of her passengers. On August 28, 2008, a third passenger in vehicle-2 died as a result of his injuries. Party-1 was arrested for 187 PC. On August 28, 2008, the District Attorney's Office filed four counts of 192 © (2) PC, felony Vehicular Manslaughter.

OCB FATAL # 23 NEWTON AREA

On August 30, 2008, at 0130 hours an unidentified male Hispanic, approximately 30-years-of-age was riding his BMX Bicycle westbound on 31st Street at Griffith Street, when he was struck by a dark colored vehicle, possibly a Toyota traveling southbound on Griffith Street. The victim was transported to California Hospital where he died as a result of his injuries. This investigation is ongoing.

OCB FATAL # 24 NEWTON AREA

On September 2, 2008, at approximately 0523 hours an unidentified Male Hispanic, approximately 40-years-of-age was crossing southbound on 55th Street, when he was struck by a vehicle eastbound on 55th Street at Alba Street. Victim was transported to USC Medical Center, where he died as a result of his injuries. Party-1 fled without identifying himself or rendering aid. This investigation is ongoing.

OCB FATAL # 25 HOLLENBECK AREA

On September 3, 2008, at 1420 hours, party-1, a forty-one-year-old resident of Los Angeles (Hollenbeck Area) was driving his 1991 Mazda on Figueroa Street at Avenue 52, when Northeast Officer Quezada, working 11U1 suspected it to be a stolen. Quezada followed the vehicle onto the 110 freeway where he saw the driver commit numerous unsafe lane change violations. Party-1 exited the freeway and committed more violations on the city street. Party-1 finally ran the red light at Griffin Avenue at Broadway killing sixty-one-year Demetrio Sosa, a resident of Los Angeles (Hollenbeck Area).

Party-1, Robert Palacios was taken into custody and booked for 187 P.C., Murder. Murder charges were filed.

OCB FATAL #26 NEWTON AREA

On September 5, 2008, at 1320 hours victim Felix Reynaldo, a resident of Norwalk was crossing eastbound 8th Street at Santa Fe in his wheel chair, when he was struck by a semi truck negotiating a right turn eastbound on 8th Street. Victim was lodged between the rear dual tires and dragged for approximately 3-blocks. This case will be presented to the District Attorney's Office for review.

OCB FATAL # 27 NEWTON AREA

On September 2, 2008, at 0600 hours, sixty-two-year-old Ave Kim, a resident of Los Angeles was crossing westbound 7th Street in a marked crosswalk, when he was struck by vehicle-1 eastbound 7th Street negotiating a right turn southbound on San Pedro Street. Victim was transported to USC Medical Center, where he died on September 4, 2008, as a result of his injuries. This case will be presented to the District Attorney's Office for review.

OCB FATAL # 28 CENTRAL AREA

On September 6, 2008, at 2256 hours, Roosevelt Turner, a fifty-eight-year-old Los Angeles male transient was standing alongside a pickup truck on Stanford Street, north of 6th, when the hit and run driver pulled from the curb with turner running along the side of the truck. Turner fell and was run over by the truck. Victim died at USC Medical Center. This investigation is ongoing.

OCB FATAL #29 NEWTON AREA

On September 8, 2008, forty-two-year-old Agustin Garcia Geronimo, a resident of Los Angeles was westbound on Vernon Avenue, when he negotiating a left turn to southbound Broadway colliding with Terrence Michael Hayes, eastbound-1 on Vernon. The impact between vehicle-1 and vehicle-2 caused Mr. Hayes' vehicle to go out of control and collide with thirty-nine-year-old Juliana Flores, standing on the southeast curb of Vernon Avenue. Ms. Flores, a resident of Los Angeles died a short time later at California Hospital. Mr. Geronimo was booked for 192(C) (1) PC and Ms. Hayes was booked by 77th Street officers for reckless driving. Central traffic Detectives will presented this case to the District Attorney's Office for review.

OCB FATAL #30 NORTHEAST AREA

On September 15, 2008, at 1955 hours eighty-two-year-old Maximilliano Perez, a resident of Los Angeles was crossing northbound on York Boulevard, when he was struck by thirty-nine-year-old Maria Rocio Uresti, driving her 2005 Nissan Frontier westbound in the number two lane of York Boulevard. Victim was transported to Huntington Memorial Hospital and treated for head trauma and a fractured right arm. Victim died a short time later as a result of his injuries. Party-1 was not under the influence of any drugs or alcohol. Preliminary investigation revealed that victim was crossing outside of the crosswalk in violation of 21954 (a) VC.

\This case will be presented to the District Attorney's Office for review.

OCB FATAL #31 RAMPART AREA

On September 10, 2008, at 0800 hours victim Felipe Sandoval Yanes, a fifty-five-year-old resident of Los Angeles was crossing the roadway in a marked crosswalk at 3rd Street and Carondelet Street, when he was struck by vehicle-1, westbound on 3rd Street. Party-1 failed to stop and identify himself or render aid to the victim. Victim was transported to USC Medical Center for a complained of pain to his head. On September 10, 2008, victim died from unknown causes. On September 26, 2008, victim's son notified CTD of his death. This investigation is ongoing.

OCB FATAL # 32 CENTRAL AREA

On September 27, 2008, at 0400 hours fifty-year-old Dale Maxwell, a resident of Los Angeles was driving his vehicle eastbound on #2 on Venice Boulevard, when he ran off the roadway and collided with the Toyota building on the southeast corner. The impact caused vehicle-1 to engulf in flames. Victim died at scene as a result of being burned. This investigation is closed.

OCB FATAL # 33 CENTRAL AREA

On September 27, 2008, at 2210 hours victim Jose Silva, forty-eight-years-of age and a resident of Pico Rivera was crossing eastbound on Broadway, when he was struck by vehicle-1 southbound on Broadway. Party-1 fled the scene. Victim was transported to USC Medical center where he died as a result of his injuries. On September 28, 2008, party-1 turned himself in to CTD Detectives and was booked for 20001 (a) VC, felony hit and run. On October 2, 2008, the District Attorney's Office filed one count of 20001 (a) VC, Felony Hit and Run and one count of 192 PC, Misdemeanor Manslaughter.

OCB FATAL # 34 HOLLENBECK AREA

On October 4, 2008, at 1930 hours, eighty-eight-year-old Goon Art Hum, a resident of Hollenbeck Area was crossing North Broadway against a green light, when he was struck by forty-year-old Alfredo Garcia, driving his 2005 Ford Mustang westbound on North Broadway. Mr. Garcia is also a resident of Hollenbeck Area.

Mr. Hum was transported to USCMC where he died as a result of his injuries. This investigation will be presented to the District Attorney's Office for review.

OCB FATAL # 35 NORTHEAST AREA

On September 19, 2008, at 2250 hours fifty-one-year-old Louy Than, a resident of Los Angeles was driving his 2008 Honda Accord westbound on Colorado Boulevard when he negotiated a left southbound on Floristan Avenue in front of seventy-eight-year-old Irwin Lublin, a resident of Los Angeles, who was driving his 2008 Lance Vintage eastbound Colorado Boulevard.

Mr. Lublin was transported to Huntington Memorial Hospital and treated for fractured legs, arms, pelvic and abrasions to his forehead and hand. On October 5, 2008, Mr. Lublin died at Huntington Memorial Hospital. This investigation is ongoing pending the result of his autopsy.

OCB FATAL # 36 NORTHEAST AREA

On October 8, 2008, at 1705 hour, seventy-seven-year-old Bienvenido Medina, a resident of Los Angeles was eastbound Edenhurst Street at Appleton Street in his wheelchair, when he was struck by twenty-six-year-old Nifa Yol Aldana of North Hollywood, driving her 1999 Yukon southbound on Appleton Street. The impact between vehicle-1 and Medina caused Medina to fall from his wheelchair and collide with the roadway.

Victim was transported to USCMC and treated for a fractured skull. Victim died at 2253 hours as a result of his injuries. CTD was notified of his death on October 10, 2008. This case will be presented to the District Attorney's Office for review.

OCB FATAL #37 HOLLENBECK AREA

On October 24, 2008, at approximately 1125 hours seventy-six-year-old Francisco Pedraza was crossing Olympic Boulevard mid-block in a southbound direction, when he was struck by vehicle-1 westbound on Olympic Boulevard. Victim was transported to USC Medical Center where he died as a result of his injuries. P-1 and fled westbound without rendering aid to the victim. This investigation is ongoing.

OCB FATAL # 38 CENTRAL AREA

On October 8, 2008, at 1458 hours eighty-one-year Hak Soon Yoo was the rear passenger in vehicle-1, when the driver, seventy-nine-year old Myung Ja Lee inadvertently backed into a curb and continued out of control and collided with a cement column. Victim sustained internal bleeding and a fractured pelvic. Victim was transported to USCMC where she died on October 23, 2008, as a result of her injuries. This investigation is ongoing.

OCB FATAL # 39 RAMPART AREA

On October 28, 2008, at approximately 2019 hours an unidentified forty-five-year-old male Hispanic was walking northbound Grandview on the west sidewalk, when he was struck by vehicle-1, traveling in the westbound alley of Grandview Street. Victim died at scene as a result of multiple traumatic injuries. Party-1 fled the scene without rendering aid or identifying himself. This investigation is ongoing.

OCB FATAL # 40 NORTHEAST AREA

On October 30, 2008, at 2300 hours thirty-four-year-old Edgardo Lambatan, a resident of Los Angeles was riding his 2004 Yamaha Motorcycle eastbound on Avenue 35, when he lost control and collided with a parked vehicle, parked along the east curb of Paseo Avenue. Victim died at scene as a result of detached vertebrae. This investigation is ongoing.

OCB FATAL # 41 NEWTON AREA

On November 8, 2008, at 0553 hours a.m. Victor Javier Giron Rojo, a forty-one-year-old Mexican National residing in Maywood was running eastbound on 10th Street at Stanford Street, when he was struck by a 1997 Chevrolet Van driven by Mario Fernando southbound on Stanford Street in the number one lanes of traffic. The impact between vehicle-1 and victim caused victim to collide with the southwest curb of Stanford Street. Victim was transported to California Hospital where he dies at approximately 12:20 p.m.

Party-1 was not under the influence of an alcoholic beverage; therefore, this case will be presented to the District Attorney's Office for review.

OCB FATAL #42 RAMPART AREA

On November 14, 2008, at approximately 7:05 a.m. victim, fifty-three-year-old Los Angeles resident Maria Cecilia Mulavin was crossing northbound on Hoover Street in a marked crosswalk, when she was struck by vehicle-1, a 2003 Toyota Camry eastbound on 3rd Street in the number one lanes of traffic.

Victim was transported to USC Medical Center where she died a short time later. According to party-1, he was blinded by the sunlight. Mr. Abul Zaman was not under the influence of an alcoholic beverage; therefore this case will be presented to the District Attorney's Office for review.

OCB FATAL #43 NEWTON AREA

On November 8, 2008, seventy-one year-old Los Angeles resident Royce Miles was riding his electric motor scooter southbound on Central Avenue at 47th Street in the crosswalk, when vehicle-1, southbound on Central Avenue negotiated a left turn to eastbound 47th Street colliding with the victim. Victim was thrown from his scooter where he collided with the roadway. Party-1 fled without identifying himself or rendering aid to the victim.

Victim was transported to California Hospital and hospitalized. On November 19, 2008, the Coroner's Office notified CTD that the victim died on November 17, 2008, at 0003 hours at California Hospital. This investigation is ongoing.

OCB FATAL # 44 CENTRAL AREA

On November 22, 2008, twenty-six-year-old Los Angeles resident Jessie Herrera was riding his 2006 Yamaha Motorcycle westbound on 5th Street in the number two lane when he collided with the northwest curb. Victim ran off the road and collided with the guard rail on the north curve of 5th Street causing him to be ejected from his motorcycle where he landed on the northbound number two lanes of the 110 freeway. Victim was transported to USC Medical Center, where he died as a result of his injuries at 1641 hours. Speed was determined to be the contributing factor of victim's death. This investigation is ongoing.

OCTB FATAL # 45 CENTRAL AREA.

On November 22, 2008, at 1700 hours forty-nine-year-old Hector Hernandez, a Los Angeles transient was crossing westbound on 18th Street, when he was struck by an MTA Train traveling southbound on Flower Street. Victim was crossing in violation of 21106 VC, crossing at a crosswalk where prohibited by signs. According to a witness, the conductor was sounding the train's horn; however, victim had his head down. He slowed down, looked at the train but kept walking. This investigation is ongoing.

OCB FATAL # 46 RAMPART AREA

On December 17, 2008, at 1830 hours, seventy-five-year-old Eop Dong Yoo, a resident of Los Angeles was crossing eastbound on Westmoreland Avenue, when she was struck by vehicle-1 northbound on Westmoreland Avenue. The hit and run driver failed to remain at scene. Victim died at California Hospital as a result of her injuries. This investigation is ongoing

FATAL #47 NEWTON AREA

On December 13, 2008, at 2210 hours, thirty-year-old Jorge Miranda Mota, a resident of Los Angeles was crossing westbound on San Pedro Street, when he was struck by vehicle-1 southbound on San Pedro Street. The hit and run driver failed to remain at scene. Victim was transported to California Hospital, where he died on December 26, 2008, at 2230 hours. This investigation is ongoing.

FATAL #48 CENTRAL AREA

On December 29, 2008, at 11:30 a.m. Michael Frank Bernica, a fifty-one-year-old Covina resident was driving his 2001 Lincoln Navigator southbound on Hope Street, when he negotiated a right turn westbound on Olympic Boulevard, colliding with victim as she walked southbound on Olympic Boulevard.

Victim, a female Asian was transported to California Hospital where she died as a result of her injuries. Victim's identity was withheld pending notification of family members. Party-1 was found to be under the influence of an alcoholic beverage and he was booked at Jail Division for 191.5 P.C., Felony Vehicular Manslaughter. Detectives found four open beer cans and an open container of a 12-pack of Bud light beer, cold to the touch.